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## VIA HAND DELIVERY

Mr. David Waddell, Executive Secretary Tennessee Regulatory Authority 460 James Robertson Parkway Nashville, Tennessee 37243

Re:

Docket to Determine the Compliance of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.'s

Operations Support Systems with State and Federal Regulations

Docket No. 01-00362

Dear Mr. Waddell:

PriceWaterhouseCoopers has requested that BellSouth submit this letter and the accompanying documents to the Authority. Enclosed please find PriceWaterhouseCoopers' response to the CLECs' request for production of documents. These documents constitute the confidential work papers of PriceWaterhouseCoopers and are considered business proprietary information that would not be provided to competitors. Consequently, PriceWaterhouseCoopers is providing these documents pursuant to the Protective Agreement adopted by the Authority at the Pre-Hearing Conference on October 9, 2001. All of these documents are confidential and subject to the Protective Order. PriceWaterhouseCoopers intends that all of the enclosed documents be marked confidential; an inadvertent failure to mark a document as confidential in no way waives the confidentiality of these documents.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

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cc: Steven Whitzel, General Counsel

PriceWaterhouseCoopers

Docket To Detarmine the Compliance of 3 BeliSouth Telecommunications, inc.'s 3 Operations Support Systems with State 3 And Federal Regulations 3 Docket No. 01-00382

## PROOF OF CONFIDENTIALITY

I, Steven Witzel, heraby certify that the documents filed herawith are Pricel/faterhouse Coopers' confidential and proprietary documents that are being produced subject to the protective order entered by the Authority in this matter and any other protective agreements executed by the parties whether in Tannessee or elsewhere.

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